



# Comprehensive Operations Timeline

## 2020

- **January 21:** The count officially begins in the rural Alaskan village of Toksook Bay.
- **March 12 - 20:** Households will begin receiving official Census Bureau mail with detailed information on how to respond to the 2020 Census.
  - **March 12 – 20:** first mailing of invitation to respond online to the 2020 Census (some households will receive paper questionnaires in the first mailing)
  - **March 16 – 24:** reminder letter mailed
  - **March 26 – April 3:** reminder postcard mailed
  - **April 8 – 16:** reminder letter and paper questionnaire mailed
  - **April 20 – 27:** final reminder postcard mailed before enumerator visits begin on May 13
- **March 30 - April 1:** The Census Bureau will count people who are experiencing homelessness. Including people in shelters, at soup kitchens and mobile food vans, on the streets, and at non-sheltered, outdoor locations such as tent encampments.
- **April 1:** Census Day! By this date, every home will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. When you respond to the census, you'll tell the Census Bureau where you live as of April 1, 2020.
- **April:** Census takers will begin visiting college students who live on campus, people living in senior centers, and others who live among large groups of people. Census takers also begin conducting quality check interviews to help ensure an accurate count.
- **May - July:** Census takers will begin visiting homes that haven't responded to the 2020 Census.
- **December:** The Census Bureau will deliver apportionment counts to the President and Congress as required by law.

## 2021

- **March 31:** By this date, the Census Bureau will send redistricting counts to states. This information is used to redraw legislative districts based on population changes.